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## NEWS RELEASE

United States Attorney Patrick L. Meehan and Philadelphia District Attorney Lynne Abraham today announced the filing of a two-count indictment<sup>1</sup> charging that Martin Mueller, on May 31, 2006, possessed heroin and a firearm in Philadelphia after having been convicted of a crime punishable by more than one year in prison.

## INFORMATION REGARDING THE DEFENDANTS

NAME	ADDRESS	AGE OR DATE OF BIRTH
Martin Mueller	Philadelphia, PA	51

If convicted the defendant faces a maximum possible sentence of life imprisonment, with a mandatory minimum term of imprisonment of 15 years, 5 years of supervised release, a fine of \$500,000 (with a minimum fine of \$5,000), and a \$200 special assessment.

This case was investigated by the Philadelphia Police Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives. This case is part of Project Safe Neighborhoods, a federal initiative designed to identify and prosecute firearms offenders in federal court, where the defendant is likely to receive a substantial sentence upon conviction. This case is being prosecuted by Special Assistant United States Attorney William L. Inden.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>An Indictment is an accusation. A defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.